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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Takahiro NAKA  
OPTIONAL PART FOR APPARATUS, APPARATUS HAVING OPTIONAL  
PART, ACCESS DEVICE, METHOD FOR DISTRIBUTING OPTICAL PART  
AND INK CARTRIDGE  
Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION  
Our Ref. Q66292

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including twenty-seven (27) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and thirteen (13) sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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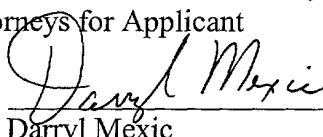
A check for the statutory filing fee of \$950.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from September 19, 2000, and September 7, 2001, based on Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2000-283456, and 2001-271525 respectively. The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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